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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

MARAIS, Jacobus Theodorus

Serial No. 09/582,700

Art Unit: 3732

Filed: August 21, 2000

Examiner: M. Bumgarner

For: **AN IRRIGATING MEDIUM FOR ROOT CANALS**

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Official Action dated January 29, 2002. The three-month shortened statutory period for response expired on April 29, 2002. Enclosed is a Petition for a three-month extension of time which, upon grant, will extend the due date to July 29, 2002. Thus, this Response is timely filed.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 2 and amend claims 1, 3-5 and 8 as outlined in Appendices A ("mark-up" copy) and B ("clean" copy) enclosed herewith.

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